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<b>Office Action Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b> 09/926,474	<b>Applicant(s)</b> SPICER ET AL.	
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### Period for Reply

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### Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 03 March 2008.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**.                      2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

### Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-5, 10-14, 19-32, 34, 36 and 38-42 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 2-5, 11-14, 20-22 and 24-26 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1, 10, 19, 23, 27, 30, 34 and 36 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 28, 29, 31, 32 and 38-42 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

### Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

### Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All    b) ☐ Some \*    c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

### Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)          | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)           |
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## **DETAILED ACTION**

### ***Claim Objections***

1. Claim 36 objected to under 37 CFR 1.75(c), as being of improper dependent form for failing to further limit the subject matter of a previous claim. Applicant is required to cancel the claim(s), or amend the claim(s) to place the claim(s) in proper dependent form, or rewrite the claim(s) in independent form. Claim 36 is currently dependent upon itself. It appears the claim should be dependent upon claim 23 (based on a previous claim listing). For purposes of examination the claim will be considered as if it were dependent upon claim 23.

### ***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

3. Claims 1, 10, 19, 23, 27, 30, 34 and 36 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Publication 2002/0016818 to Kirani et al.

As concerns claims 1, 10, 19 and 23, a data receiver (0064-data receiver of server) for receiving a request for retransmission (transmission from server to destination client) of an attachment document (0063,0064,068-email with attachment) of a previous incoming message (message from sender to server) to a network terminal (0063) over a communications network (0093), the attachment document having attachment data including content for presentation on the network terminal and presentation data defining the presentation of the content on the

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network terminal (0065,0066), the attachment data including graphics data (0066); a data processing system (0104) in communication with the data receiver for converting the attachment data in accordance with at least one data filtration parameter (0104) representing a desired alternate data resolution level for the retransmitted document to accommodate data resolution capabilities of the network terminal (0069,0065,0066), the data processing system configured to perform the conversion by reducing the number of bytes (0066-24bit to 8bit) occupied by the attachment data according to the desired alternate resolution level in order to provide the converted data including reduced graphics data including at least one of reduced content and reduced presentation data (0066,0069,0104); and a data transmitter (transmitter of server) in communication with the data processing system for transmitting an outgoing message containing converted data to the network terminal over the communications network, the converted data housing the desired alternate data resolution level (0068,0063).

As concerns claim 27 and 30, the network resource has a network address (inherent for network device to have a network address), the network resource transmission request includes and indication of the network address, the network address indication comprising a pseudo-name associated with the network resource but distinct from the network address, and the network resource transmitting step comprises querying a resource registry with the pseudo-name for the access level (fig. 5a-502).

As concerns claims 34 and 36, obtaining the data filtration parameter from the request for transmission, the data filtration parameter defines a desired alternate resolution for the retransmitted attachment document (0065,0066).

***Allowable Subject Matter***

4. Claims 2-5, 11-14, 20-22 and 24-26 are allowed.
5. Claims 28, 29, 31, 32 and 38-42 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

***Conclusion***

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to John B. Walsh whose telephone number is 571-272-7063. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday from 7:00-5:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John Follansbee can be reached on 571-272-3964. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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